



STATE OF MARYLAND

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
**Wes Moore**

August 5, 2024

Dear Attendees:

On behalf of the State of Maryland, we are pleased to welcome you to the City of Baltimore for the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of African American Museums.

Maryland's rich cultural heritage has been shaped over the last two centuries by trailblazers who fought to build a state, and a country, that leaves no one behind – including Maryland's own Thurgood Marshall, Harriet Tubman, and Pauli Murray.

Under the leadership of Dr. Vedet Coleman-Robinson, the Association of African American Museums carries this proud legacy forward by ensuring that the art, history, and culture of the Black diaspora is celebrated and preserved.

This conference brings together some of the brightest minds from our state's museums, cultural centers, colleges and universities, and research agencies. The connections made here – in the heart of our state's largest city – will allow us to uncover and advance solutions to some of our most pressing challenges.

As Maryland's Governor and First Lady, we are honored to be among this year's distinguished awardees. We are proud to be your partner in this work, as we advance equality and justice for all. Together, we will build a state that those who came before us hoped for, and that those who come after us deserve.

Best wishes for a productive conference and an enjoyable stay.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Wes Moore, written in a cursive style.

Wes Moore  
Governor

A blue ink signature of Dawn Flythe Moore, written in a cursive style.

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First Lady

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